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Electric Advice Letter No. 15

William Bullard
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Mr. Bullard:

The accompanying electric tariff sheets issued by MidAmerican Energy Company are transmitted to you for filing.

SDPUC Electric Tariff No. I Section No. 6

3rd Revised Sheet No. 1 4th Revised Sheet No. 2 Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1 Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 2

Proposed effective date: February 12, 2001

With this filing, MidAmerican proposes to revise both the front and back of its standard electric bill form.

### Front

On Sheet No. 1, the statement "Meter Read Group..." has been added to the upper left-hand corner of the front of the bill form. The purpose of this addition is to reduce administrative costs. Currently, each customer receives an annual schedule of meter read dates for their respective meter read group. Since there are 21 groups. 21 different schedules are sent out. With the proposed change, a standard schedule will be sent to all customers (see Attachment 1). The standard schedule lists the 21 meter read groups with the corresponding annual meter read dates.

#### Back

The following changes are proposed for the back of the bill form, Sheet No. 2:

William Bullard, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission January 10, 2001 Page 2

- The first paragraph has been rewritten to add clarity.
- "Attn: Quality and Compliance" has been included in the mailing address.
- The definition of the Energy Charge has been expanded to include "...and is applied to energy measured during the month."
- A definition for Demand Charge has been added.
- Regulatory contact information has been added.
- The Company name and address has been included on the stub portion.

An original and ten copies of this Electric Advice Letter No. 15 and accompanying tariff sheets are submitted herewith. Please file stamp the enclosed additional copy and return in the self-addressed envelope.

Sincerely,

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(Also found on your bill)



### Meter Read Dates

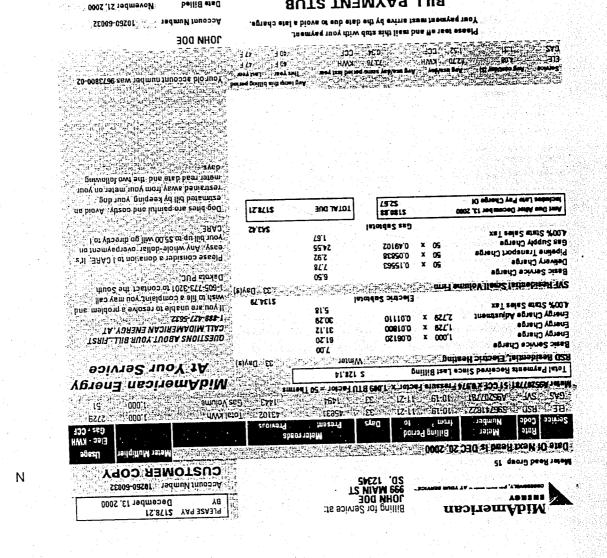
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12	Jan 17	feb 15	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 15	June 14	July 16	Aug 14	Sept.14	Oct 15	Nov 13	Dec 14
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On your most recent bill, you will find the number of your meter read group above Date of Next Read. Write that number in the upper left-hand corner of this schedule, so that you don't have to check it every month. You may also wish to note your account number, if you report your own reading, either by phone or through our Web site.

Scan down the left column above until you find your meter read group number. Then, every month just go across that row until you find the appropriate month, and that is your scheduled meter read date. It might be more convenient for you to highlight your meter read group number so it's easier to locate.

ATTACHMENT 1

Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1 3rd Revised Sheet No. 1



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# South Dakota Public Utilities Commission WEEKLY FILINGS For the Period of January 4, 2001 through January 10, 2001

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#### **CONSUMER COMPLAINTS**

CT01-002 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Robert E. Ellis, Florence, South Dakota, against OLS, Inc. Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

The complainant alleges that his long distance phone provider was switched without his knowledge or authorization and that he was without a long distance carrier for five days. The complainant requests that OLS be fined and the phone bill paid to AT&T for calls billed by OLS.

Staff Analyst: Charlene Lund Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier Date Docketed: 01/04/01 Intervention Deadline: N/A

#### **ELECTRIC**

EL01-001 In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. Requesting Authority to Incur Short-Term Debt.

On January 4, 2001, Black Hills Power, Inc. filed an application requesting authority to incur short-term debt. South Dakota law at SDCL 49-34A-30 prohibits a public utility from incurring short-term indebtedness of more than 5 percent of the par value of other securities of the public utility then outstanding. In an Order from the Commission in Docket EL94-006, Black Hills Corporation (the predecessor-in-interest of Black Hills Power, Inc.) was relieved of the statutory limits of SDCL 49-34A-30, and was authorized to incur short-term debt of a total aggregate amount not to exceed 30% of its total capitalization. Due to corporate restructuring, any advances made under credit facilities that are currently in place could cause Black Hills Power, Inc. to exceed the short-term debt limitations placed upon it in EL94-006. Prior to August 31, 2001, Black Hills Corporation anticipates putting in place new credit facilities at the holding company level which will relieve Black Hills Power, Inc. from any obligation it has upon the creation of new credit facilities. Black Hills Power, Inc. is seeking an Order approving and authorizing 1) that Black Hills Power, Inc., is released and relieved of any statutory obligations under SDCL 49-34A-30; 2) that Black Hills Power, Inc. is relieved of the short-term indebtedness limitations set forth in Docket EL94-006 concerning the Order authorizing the incurrence of short-term debt; and 3) that Black Hills Power, Inc. shall not be subject to any short-term debt limitations prior to September 2, 2001, and as of that date, shall then be obligated to a short-term indebtedness obligation of not more than 30% of Black Hills Power, Inc.'s total capitalization, which is its equity and long-term indebtedness.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 01/04/01 Intervention Deadline: 01/26/01 TC01-003

In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of a Fourth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Sprint Communications Company L.P.

An amendment No. 4 to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint) was filed with the Commission for the states of Idaho, Iowa, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming for approval by the Commission. The agreement is a negotiated agreement with the parties adopting the negotiated interconnection agreement between Sprint and Qwest which was approved by the Commission effective November 21, 1997 in Docket No. TC97-149. The Amendment adds terms and conditions for the LIS Inter Local Calling Area (LCA) Facility. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than January 30, 2001. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Kelly D. Frazier Date Docketed: 01/10/01 Initial Comments Due: 01/30/01

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# DEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY ) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR ) REVISIONS APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS ) EL01-002

On January 10, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) requesting approval of its electric tariff sheet changes. According to the filing, MidAmerican proposes to revise both the front and back of its standard electric bill form. MidAmerican proposed that the tariff changes be made effective February 12, 2001. The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

SDPUC Electric Tariff No. I Section No. 6

3rd Revised Sheet No. 1 4th Revised Sheet No. 2 Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1 Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 2

At its regularly scheduled meeting of February 21, 2001, the Commission discussed final approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval of the bill format tariff sheets.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-2, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, and 49-34A-10 and ARSD 20:10:17:03. The Commission finds the bill format changes to the customers' bills are just and reasonable and approves the changes. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the above-referenced revised tariffs are approved and are effective for service rendered on and after the date of this order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 28th day of February, 2001.

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

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Date: 2/28/01

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

AMES A. BURG, Chairmar

PAM NELSON, Commissioner



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**Gregory C. Scheefer** Manager Regulated Pricing

March 6, 2001

Mr. Keith Senger South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Dear Mr. Senger:

On January 10, 2001 MidAmerican Energy Company submitted 3rd Revised Sheet No. 1 and 4th Revised Sheet No. 2 updating the front and back of its standard electric bill form. This tariff filing was identified as Docket No. EL01-002. The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approved the proposed tariff revisions with an effective date of February 28, 2001. Enclosed is a copy of the final sheets approved by the Commission.

Sincerely,

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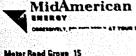
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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

# MidAmerican

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY ELECTRIC TARIFF NO. I FILED with the SOUTH DAKOTA P.U.C.

Section No. 6 ard Revised Sheet No. 1 Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 1



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QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR BILL FIRST CALL MIDAMERICAN ENERGY AT 1-888-127-5632

If you are unable to resolve a problem and wer to the a complaint, you may call (1) 1-603-773-3201 to contact the South Dakota PUC.

Please consider a donation to I CAPE It's easy Any whole-dullar or erpayment on your bill up to \$5.00 will go deedly to ! CARE.

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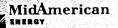
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Effective: February 28, 2001

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MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY ELECTRIC TARIFF NO. I FILED with the SOUTH DAKOTA P.U.C. Section No. 6 4th Revised Sheet No. 2 Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 2

#### UNDERSTANDING YOUR BILL

If you have a question regarding your billing, service or another issue, please call us toll-free at 1-888-4ASKMEC (1-888-427-5632). Our Customer Service Associates are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to help you, if you prefer to conduct business electronically, various online customer services are available at www.mldamericanenergy.com/cust\_service. Customers using a TDD can reach us at 1-800-747-0593. MidAmerican Energy Company is obsessively, relentlessly at your service.

If you prefer to write, please send your inquiries to: MidAmerican Energy Company

Attn: Quality and Compliance

P.O. Box 8020

Davenport, IA 52808-8020

Date Due: Your bill is due and payable on or before the date shown on your bill. A late payment charge will be applied to amounts not paid by the date due

Rate Code: This designates your gas or electric billing rate at MidAmerican Energy. Tariff and rate schedule information is available upon request

Estimated Use: If we are unable to obtain an actual meter reading, the amount of the bill will be estimated based on past usage. Any necessary adjustments for an estimated bill will be made the next time your meter is read and will appear on the following bill.

Prorate Factor: The prorate factor adjusts for a billing period shorter or longer than normal.

Basic Service Charge: The monthly basic service charge covers fixed costs incurred to serve each customer, regardless of use.

KWH: A KWH is a unit of electric usage. One kilowatt-hour is the amount of electric energy used to keep one 100-wait light bulb burning for 10 hours

Energy Charge: The energy charge reflects a portion of the cost of generating, transmitting and distributing electrical energy to you and is applied to energy measured during the month.

Demand Charge: The demand charge reflects a portion of the cost of generating, transmitting and distributing electrical energy to you and is based on peak

Energy Charge Adjustment: This adjustment reflects the cost of power plant fuel or purchased power.

CCF: Natural gas is measured by volume. One cct represents 100 cubic feet of natural gas.

Pressure Fector: The pressure factor adjusts the metered gas usage to compensate for variations in metering and local atmospheric pressure.

Therms, Therm Factors, and BTUs: We bill you on the number of therms of natural gas used because the heating value of a cubic foot of gas varies. The therm is a unit of constant heating value, and the therm factor converts volumes of gas used from cubic feet to therms. One therm equals 100,000 BTUs (British Therms! Units).

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Pipeline Transport Charge: This reflects the cost incurred to reserve capacity on the interstate pipeline system in order to deliver gas to you. If the pipeline transport charge is not a line item on your bill, it is included in the gas supply charge.

Gee Supply Cherge: This charge reflects the cost of purchased natural gas.

Please contact McAmerican Energy Company with any questions or concerns you may have. If MidAmerican does not resolve your complaint you may request assistance from your state regulatory agency.

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Effective: February 28, 2001

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